HQ U.S. Air Force Academy

Integrity - Service - Excellence

USAFA Overview

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Overview

- Introduction
- Enlisting vs Officer Corp
- Officer Training School
- Reserve Officer Training Corps
- US Air Force Academy

USAFA Class of 2015 Attributes

- **International Students - 9**
  - Ecuador
  - Georgia
  - Korea
  - Lebanon
  - Lithuania
  - Peru
  - Senegal
  - Singapore
  - Taiwan
- **Average HS GPA – 3.88**
- **Average SAT**
  - 641 Verbal, 672 Math
- **Average ACT**
  - 30 English, 31 Math, 30 Science Reasoning, 30 Reading
- **Rank in High School Class**
  - Top 10% - 55%
  - Top 25% - 81%
- **High School Honors and Activities**
  - Class President - 11%
  - National Honor Society – 65%
  - Boy/Girl Scouts – 26%
  - JROTC – 11%
  - Athletic letter Awards – 82%

How To Apply

- **Apply to USAFA (AcademyAdmissions.com)**
  - Start Junior year (Pre-Candidate Questionnaire)
  - ALO's are available to assist & interview
  - Take Candidate Fitness test
  - Take DOBMERB Physical
  - Ensure Admissions' file is complete
- **Apply to all Nomination sources**
  - Both Senators, Representative & Vice President
  - May qualify for additional nominations

Summer Seminar

- Unique opportunity to get the Academy experience first-hand
  - Designed for high school juniors heading into their senior year, see a realistic slice of cadet life
  - Insights into what it means to serve as an USAF officer
- You will get to:
  - Live in cadet dormitories, eat at the cadet dining facility
  - Explore academic majors via workshops taught by Academy faculty members
  - Participate in a variety of physical fitness activities including a practice Candidate Fitness Assessment
- Competitive: Application deadline 31 Jan 2015

http://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/outreach-programs/summer-seminar/

Summer Programs

- **Basic Cadet Training**
  - 38 Day intro to the AF, 2 Phases:
  - 1st BCT: in dorms, focus on customs, courtesies and drill
  - 2nd BCT: Jack's Valley; exposure to field conditions
- **Operation Air Force**
  - Increases USAF exposure to First, Second & Third class cadets
  - Deploy 100 cadets to the desert
  - Send @ 2,500 cadets to 68 bases in 8 Air Force Commands
- **Global Engagement**
  - 10 day program for Third Class cadets
  - Teaches the Expeditionary Air Force (EAF) Bare Base concept
  - Over 1200 cadets complete the training each year

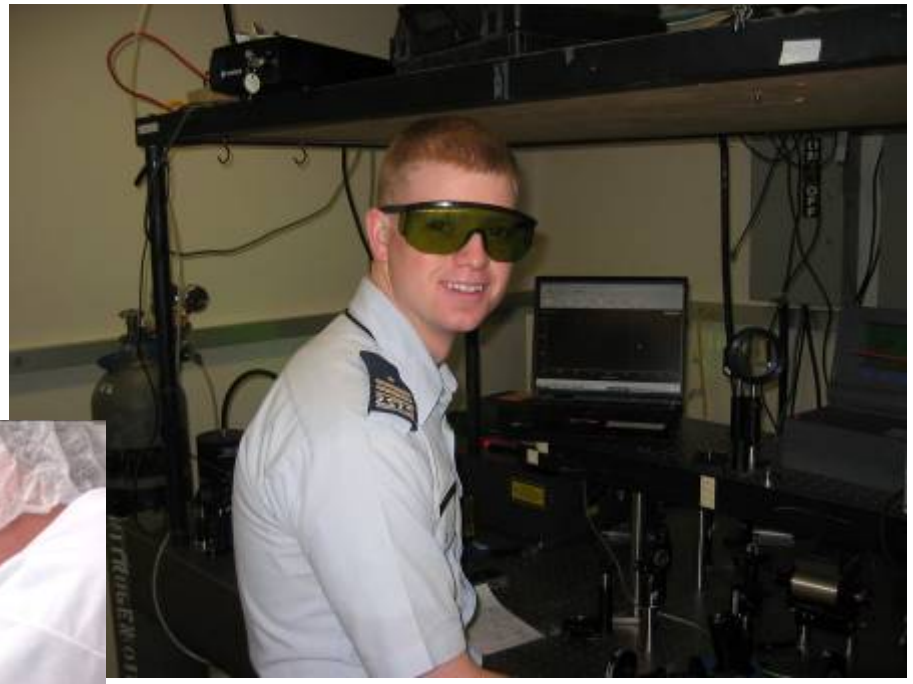
Airmanship

Develops character and leadership as students and as Instructors

- **Soaring:**
  - **Soar for All**
  - **Competitive teams**
- **Jump:**
  - **Basic Free Fall Parachuting**
  - **Wings of Blue-Demo team**
  - **Currently holds over 260 gold medals on a national level**
  - **Current National Collegiate Champions**
- **Powered Flight Program**
  - **13.5 Flying Training Hours**
  - **25.3 Academic Hours**
- **Flying Team:**
  - **16 Cadets**
  - **Pilot's license required**

Academics-What We Offer

- World-class facilities
- Robust Research Opportunities
- Small classes (8:1 Ratio!)
- The most dedicated teaching faculty in the country



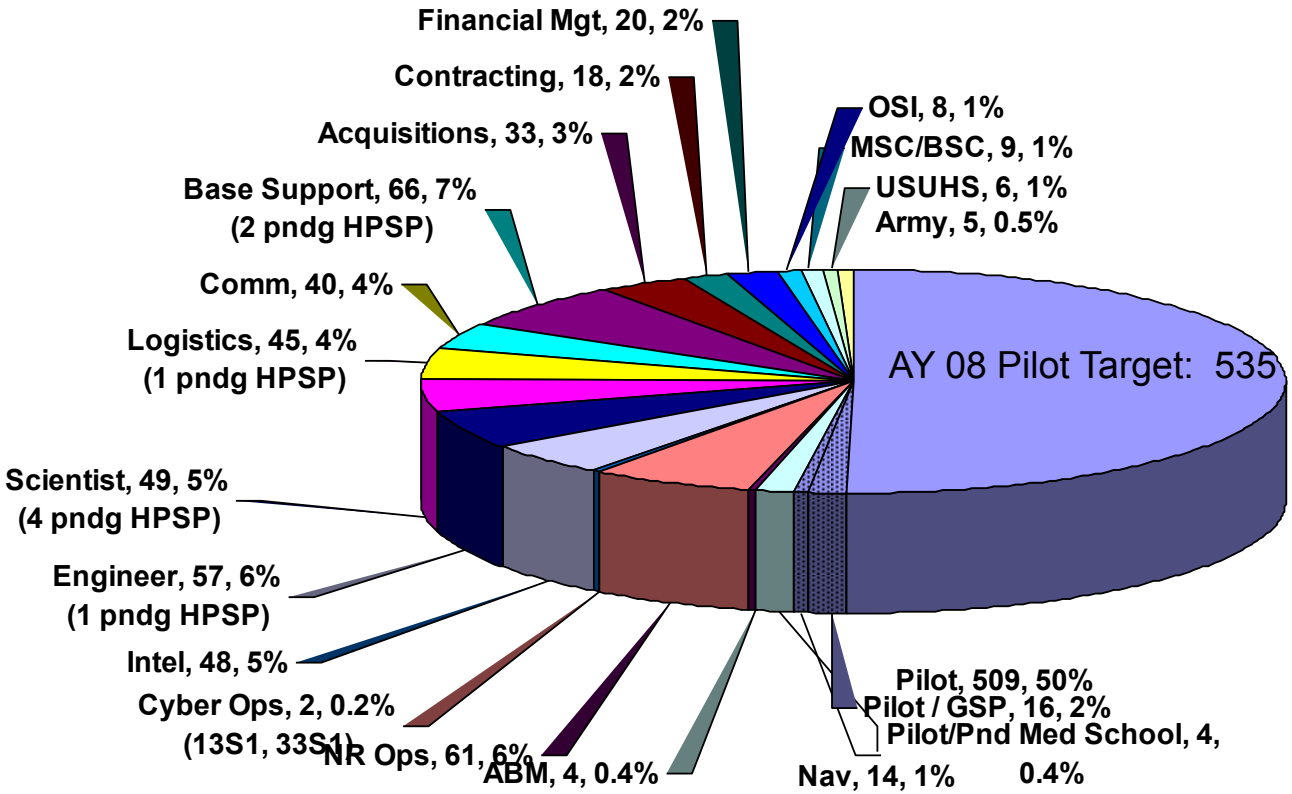
32 Majors/2 Minors*

Basic Sciences	Engineering	Humanities	Social Sciences
Basic Sciences	Aeronautical	English	Behavioral
Bio Chemistry	Astronautical	Foreign Area	Economics
Biology	Civil	Foreign Language*	Geospatial
Chemistry	Computer	History	Management
Computer	Electrical	Humanities	Political
Mathematics	Environmental	Legal Studies	Social
Meteorology	General	Military Strategy	
Operations Research	Mechanics	Philosophy*	
Physics	Systems		
Space Operations	Systems Mgmt		

Summer Research

- Cadet Summer Research Programs (CSRP)
  - 180 cadets get Ops AF credit, summer leave
  - 65% to AF bases
  - 21% to DoD/Federal institutions
  - 11% to Civilian institutions
  - 3% other

Post Graduation Careers



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Air Force ROTC

AFROTC Program

- 4-year college program
- GMC → Field Training → POC → 2Lt
- Increased competition
  - Scholarships
  - Field Training
  - Selection Boards
- Decreased budget
- Constantly adapting to the needs of the Air Force
- Reference AFROTCI 36-2011, *Cadet Operations*

AFROTC Scholarships

- Targeted towards specific majors
- High School Scholarship Program (HSSP)
- In College Scholarship Program (ICSP)
- Reference
  - AFROTCI 36-2011, *Cadet Operations*
  - *AFROTC HSSP Det Guidebook 2011-2012*
  - *AFROTC HSSP Majors List*

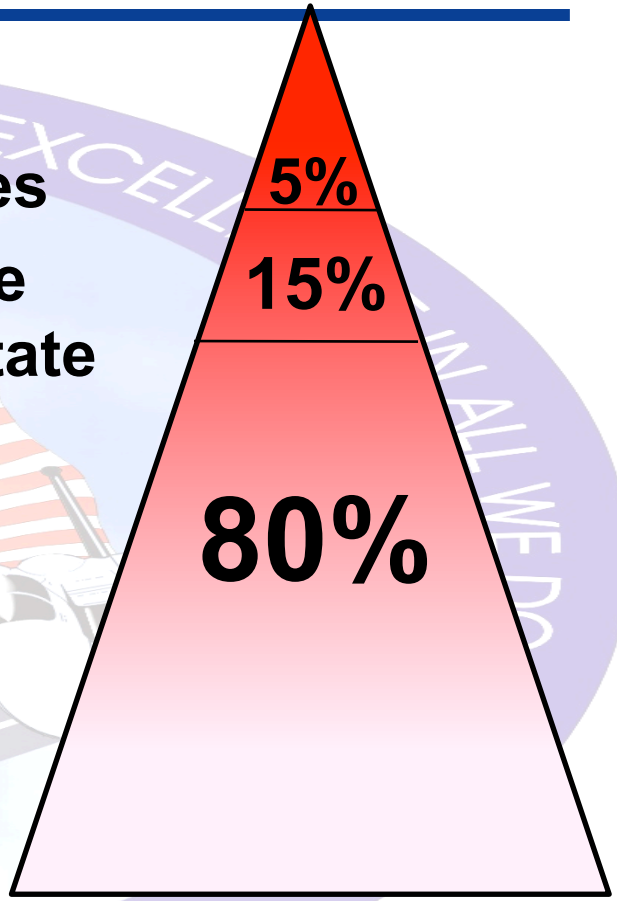
HSSP Eligibility

- Become a citizen of the United States prior to scholarship activation
- Graduate from a high school (no GED)
- Be at least 17 years old prior to scholarship activation
- Be less than 31 years old by Dec 31 of their commissioning year
- Cannot be enrolled full time at a college or university except as joint high school/college program credit.
- Cannot be a single parent
- AFROTC does not mix and match test scores

Minimum GPA 3.0/4.0, SAT 1100 or ACT 24

HSSP Scholarship Types

- Type 1 – Full tuition and fees
- Type 2 – Up to $18,000 a year and fees
- Type 7 – Up to the in-state tuition rate and fees at a public institution in a state where the student qualifies
- All recipients receive $900 a year for textbooks and a tax-free $300-$500 monthly stipend



80% of all offers are made to technical majors

HSSP Subsidy List

- www.afrotc.com > Scholarships > High School Scholarships > Subsidy List
- BU – free room and board for Type 1 and 2 (competitive), full-tuition for Type 2
- UMASS Lowell – free room and board for all HSSP winners
- Western NE College – free room and board
- WPI – room and board credit
- Daniel Webster – room scholarship
- UNH – Type 7 winners can attend
- And more…

HSSP Majors

Technical Majors

COMPUTER SCIENCE OPERATIONS
RESEARCH ARCHITECTURE
BIO,BIOCHEMISTRY AERONAUTICAL
ENGINEERING AEROSPACE
ENGINEERING ARCHITECTURAL
ENGINEERING ASTRONAUTICAL
ENGINEERING ENVIRONMENTAL
ENGINEERING CIVIL ENGINEERING
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING COMPUTER
ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS
CHEMISTRY METEOROLOGY/
ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES PHYSICS

Foreign Language Majors

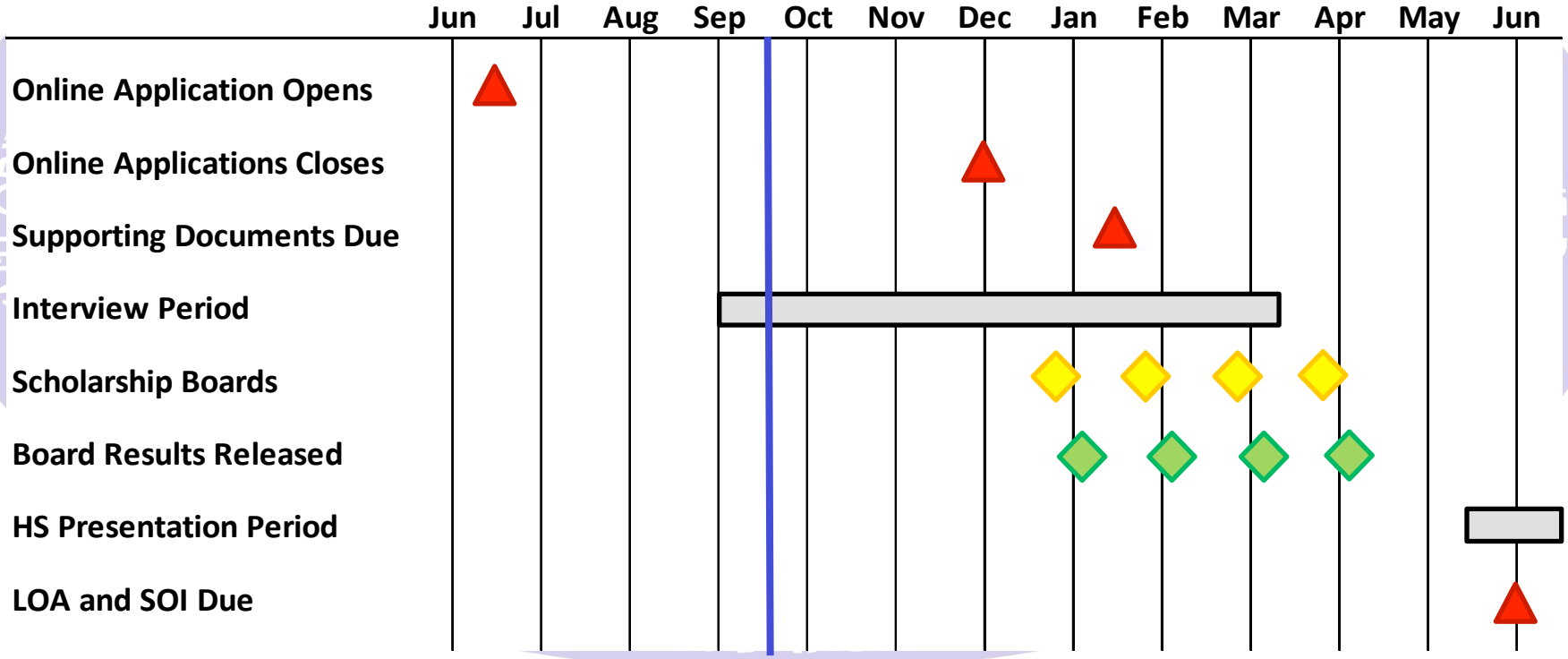
CHINESE (MANDARIN)
DUTCH
FRENCH
GERMAN
JAPANESE
ITALIAN
SPANISH AMERICAN
POLISH
PORT BRAZ (BRAZILIAN)
SPANISH
RUSSIAN
SPANISH/CAS (CASTILLIAN)
TAGALOG
TURKISH
KOREAN
PERSIAN FARSI
VIETNAMESE
SOUTHEAST ASIAN LANGUAGES
SLAVIC LANGUAGES
OTHER FOREIGN LANGUAGE

HSSP Application

- Online application at www.afrotc.com
  - Typically Dec deadline
- Upload supporting documents
  - Resume, Activity Sheet, Counselor Certification, Personal Statement, PFA, Transcripts, SAT/ACT scores
  - Mid Jan deadline
- Interview
  - Scheduled once they meet all eligibility requirements

HSSP Typical Process

- Mid Jun – Online application opens
- Dec – Online application closes
- Mid Jan – Supporting documents due
- EOM May – Letter of Acceptance and Statement of Intent due



HSSP by the Numbers

- Board meets in Dec, Jan, Feb, and Mar
- 910 offers /~15,000 applicants = 6.1%
- 910 offers / 4,554 eligible = 20%

	Offers	SAT Comp	ACT Comp	GPA
Type 1	47	1457	32.6	3.90
Type 2	136	1347	30.6	3.87
Type 7	727	1262	28.6	3.80
2011 Avg	*910*	*1289*	*29.1*	*3.82*
2010 Avg	*1602*	*1263*	*28.2*	*3.78*